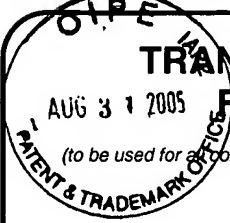



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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 130

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

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Other fee (specify) Petition to Make Special

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SUBMITTED BY

Complete (if applicable)

Name (Print/Type)	Michael D. Zarobsky	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	45,512	Telephone	248-641-1600
Signature				Date	August 31, 2005



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Mail Stop Petition
Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special because of actual infringement.


Accompanying this petition is:

- (a) a Statement by Attorney in Support of Petition to Make Special Because of Actual Infringement; and
- (b) a fee transmittal (in duplicate) authorizing the Director to charge the petition fee of \$130.00 to Deposit Account 02-2548.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this petition is respectfully requested. If the Office believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Office is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

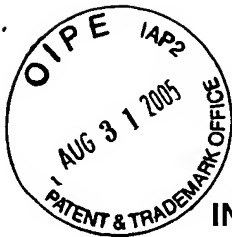
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**STATEMENT BY ATTORNEY IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
BECAUSE OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT**

Sir:

I, Michael D. Zalobsky, am a practitioner in this case and make the following statements:

- (a) That I am an attorney registered to practice before the Office;
- (b) That there is an infringing device actually on the market (Shark SV736 15.6 Volt Cordless Hand Vac with Motorized Brush and Twister Technology);
- (c) That I have made a rigid comparison of the alleged infringing device with the claims of the application and that in my opinion, some of the claims are

unquestionably infringed;

(e) That I have caused to be made a careful and thorough search of the prior art and that all such material has been provided to the Examiner in Information Disclosure Statements filed March 31, 2004 and April 8, 2004; and

(d) That I believe all the claims previously pending in this application are allowable.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 31, 2005

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